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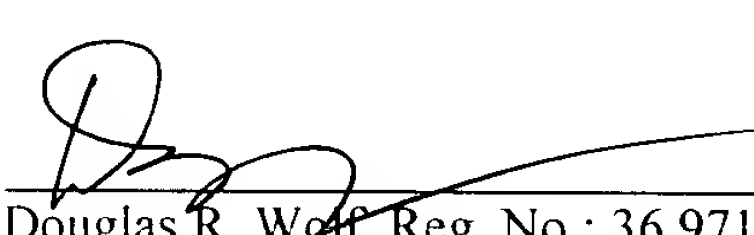
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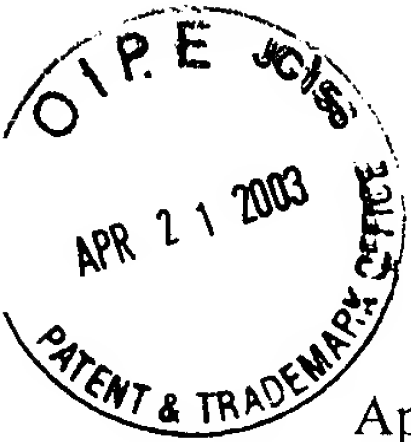
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

REMARKS

In the office action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 5-10 13, and 19-24 under 35 U.S.C 102(a) as being anticipated by Combest, and kindly indicated claims 2-4, 11, 12, and 14-18 as containing allowable subject matter. For reasons indicated in the following paragraphs, the applicant respectfully traverses the 35 U.S.C 102(a) rejection.

As indicated in the Background section of the application, the applicant acknowledges that brackets such as that of Combest were used for mounting speakers. However, as also indicated in the Background section, these brackets had certain limitations which this invention is intended to overcome. These limitations included that the brackets caused the corresponding

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